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## ELKHORN.

The weather has been beautiful of late. Our builders have sent out invitations for a ball in the town hall, on New Year's Eve.

All the children of the town received gifts from Santa Claus off the "Christmas Tree" on Christmas Eve, in the public hall. Mr. I. S. F. Taylor conducted the first part of the entertainment, after which W. M. Cushing, as Santa Claus, had a busy hour in distributing the presents.

One of our old settlers, J. Jones, lost his house by fire lately. All its contents were consumed. We believe the building was insured. Fortunately Mrs. Jones had the children with her in the stables at the time, and aided by some of the neighbors, kept the fire from reaching the other buildings.

## HAYFIELD.

A very pleasing event took place at the residence of Mr. H. A. Cunningham on Tuesday evening last being the marriage of Mr. John Thompson of Yorkton, N.W.T. to Miss Lizzie Harper of Hayfield, daughter of John Harper of Hayfield, Ont. The groom was attended by Mr. D. A. Harper while on the part of the bride her sister Miss Emma performed the same office. Rev. Mr. Wilson of Souris performed the ceremony. After the knot had been tied the bride sat down to a sumptuous dinner which was a credit to the host and hostess. If you could judge by the numerous and costly presents which the bride received, the esteem in which she is held, her friends must have a very high opinion of her. The happy couple left on Wednesday train to visit eastern towns, where they will reside in their new home at Yorkton. We all wish them a long and happy wedded life.

Hinckley, Minn., Dec. 26. This town was thrown into much excitement yesterday. Three of the Kane brothers came into town from camp and got intoxicated and were placed under arrest by Marshall Booth. Two of them resisted and set upon Booth, who shot them through the head. One died instantly and the other lingered a few hours and died. They were tough characters and defied any one. The other brother was placed in jail. They were single men, aged 28 and hailed from Hastings, Minn. Their bodies lie in the hospital awaiting a coroner's inquest. Marshall Booth gave himself up to Sheriff McLaughlin.



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And Other WATCHES IN  
GOLD, GOLD FILLED, SILVER  
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All Kinds of Jewelry and Presentation  
Goods, Clocks, Silverware, &c., &c.  
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THE PIONEER AND LEADING

**Merchant Tailor**

STILL TO THE FRONT.

and wishes to inform the public and my old customers that I am now giving my whole attention to the Tailoring business and doing my own cutting. For perfect fit and imported stylish goods we have no equal in the city. My stock is the largest in the city, bought at the lowest prices. We must unload, and have decided to sell almost at any price for cash. Can save you a V on a suit or overcoat, as in the pants.

**L. STOCKTON.**

Advice to Mothers.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are teething. It soothes the little sufferer, cures colic, produces natural quiet sleep, and relieves the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes healthy and happy. It is very pleasant to taste. It cures the child, soothes the gums, allays all pain, soothes the wind, keeps the bowels open, and is the best known remedy for diarrhoea, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle. It is sold and used for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup and take no other kind.

**BURCHILL & TATE**

Fresh Meat Cheaper than ever.

Beef, Pork and Lamb of the

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Cured Meats very choice.

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Between 7th and 8th Rosser Ave.

**A NEW TAILOR**

SHOP

**J. DAVIDSON**

Tailor, wishes to inform his friends and the public generally that he is now doing business for himself on Rosser Avenue, opposite the New Post Office. From his long experience as a practical tailor and cutter he can, with confidence, solicit a share of public patronage.

First Class work at Reasonable Prices will be his aim.

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At present ready with a store full of seasonable goods.

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but they will not vex the careful buyer. Is the lowest price any object to you? Are the finest qualities any inducement? If so, come in and see our splendid new stock of

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THE BANNER ASSORTMENT OF THE SEASON.

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And we will give you the Benefit.

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For the Blood and Skin diseases, as present at the season of the Year Sure Remedy.

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Counteracts the effect of Alkali Water on the Hair.

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Give Perfect Satisfaction.

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**SPECIAL ATTENTION**

Paid to Corns, Contractions, Quarter-Crack, and other Diseases of the Hoof.

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Their Liquor Store from the old Store south of the Central Hotel, to the premises lately occupied by Smith & Burton.

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Between Rosser & Pacific Avenue

They have now Full Lines of the

**BEST BRANDS**

**Liquors in Stock,**

**FOUND AT LAST!**

WHAT the Hospital for Sick Watches and Clocks is at CONROY & CO.

**FULL STOCK OF WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELLERY,**

Cheap for Cash.

Between 9th and 10th, Rosser Avenue.

Give us a Call.

**Errors of Young and Old.**

Lost Manhood, Organic Weakness, Failing Memory, Lack of Energy, Premature Decay, Nervous Debility, Dimness of Sight, Stunted Development, Loss of Power, Pains in the Back, Night Emissions, Seminal Losses, Inability to Marry, Sleeplessness, Unfit for Study, Nervous Irritability, etc., etc. Restoring Vigor, Tonic and Vitality to weak and debilitated men. Relief at once. Secure the Best Medicine and be cured for life. 25c per bottle. Every bottle guaranteed. Call on address, inclose a stamp for postage. All letters strictly confidential.

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Since 1880 Dr. W. has devoted his whole time to the specialty of the Throat and Lung Diseases.

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**DR. N. WASHINGTON,**

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Catch of an ulcerative character cured when the patient was on the verge of the grave.

For our best visit see date in this paper.

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A FRIEND'S face often looks sour and grim. A friend's face often looks pale and thin. A friend's face often looks sad and gloomy. A friend's face often looks old and weary. A friend's face often looks ill and sickly. A friend's face often looks ugly and repulsive. A friend's face often looks like a mask. A friend's face often looks like a puzzle. A friend's face often looks like a mystery. A friend's face often looks like a riddle. A friend's face often looks like a question. A friend's face often looks like an answer. A friend's face often looks like a smile. A friend's face often looks like a frown. A friend's face often looks like a tear. A friend's face often looks like a laugh. A friend's face often looks like a cry. A friend's face often looks like a sigh. A friend's face often looks like a groan. A friend's face often looks like a wail. A friend's face often looks like a shriek. A friend's face often looks like a scream. A friend's face often looks like a howl. A friend's face often looks like a roar. A friend's face often looks like a yell. A friend's face often looks like a shout. A friend's face often looks like a cry. A friend's face often looks like a wail. A friend's face often looks like a groan. A friend's face often looks like a sigh. A friend's face often looks like a groan. A friend's face often looks like a sigh.

Just why so many people suffer pain when a remedy of known and certain efficacy is at hand is not very clear. This is the case with Burdock Blood Purifier and it is a pity that so many people suffer from skin diseases, such as eczema, psoriasis, etc., etc. Price 25 cents.

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I am prepared to contract or give estimates for Heating or Ventilation of Buildings of every description, either with hot water, circulation or hot air.



**IN STOVES**

I defy competition in  
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**The Gurney Hot-Water Boiler.**

Is guaranteed to be the best and most powerful, as well as the most economical Heater of the present day. It has no equal for heating all classes of Buildings, Greenhouses or Conservatories, and with a less amount of fuel than any other Boiler made.

**The Gurney Monarch Hot-Air  
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Leads them all. It is a perfect Heater, having a steel Radiator and Deflector, and more radiating surface than any other heater of the size made.



**JOBGING DEPARTMENT.**

My facilities for Jobbing, such as Roofing, Eave Troughing, and General Repairing, are unequalled. I employ the best of Workmen, and can guarantee my work the best that close and careful attention with the best stock and labor, can produce.

—MY STOCK OF—

**Tinware & House Furnishing**

Needs no comment. Every person knows that I keep the Best and Largest Stock west of Winnipeg.

**PLUMBING**

all its Branches, such as Baths, with Hot or Cold Water Connection, Pumps, Sinks, and all Water Closet Attachments and Sanitary Earthenware.

**E. R. STORY,**

Rosser Avenue,

Brandon, Manitoba.





Our Sales this fall have far exceeded our most sanguine expectations. We have had to repeat orders in every line of Goods. You will say—No wonder, if you look over the following list of prices and compare them with prices asked elsewhere. FRANKON, like other cities is beginning to see the effect of separate lines of business being carried on in separate business places. You can buy your Clothing, Furs and Furnishings better and cheaper in an EXCLUSIVE CLOTHING HOUSE than by buying in the general store where they try to carry on all lines of business, some line must be neglected.

Buy on Credit,  
Sell on Credit,  
And have large expenses  
to contend with.

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We sell a No. 1 Goat Coat for	\$13.00
Best Australian Bear Coat	20.00
Bulgarian Lamb Coat	20.00
No. 1. Coon Coat	\$32, \$34 and \$36.
Goat Robes, large size	\$9.50
Best Beaver and Persian Lamb Caps	8.00
No. 1. South Sea Seal Caps	16.00
Corduroy Suits, best	13.00
200 pairs all wool pants	2.00
All wool Suits	\$7 to \$12
6 pairs all-wool Socks	\$1.00
Underwear	75 cts. to \$3 per suit.

If you cannot find what you want when shopping elsewhere, go direct to the Power Hall, you will find it there. Give us a chance and we will give you the benefit and save you money on every purchase you make.

THE A. F. AND A. M.

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McKee's Academy re-opens on Jan. 2nd, for classification of pupils. Regular work on Monday. Evening classes have been re-arranged so that they will be in the reach of many of the work but cannot attend steadily. The Commercial course, penmanship, letter writing, spelling and arithmetic. An English class is also arranged. All who are willing up any of the work of the school, or who wish shorthand or book-keeping, are expected to meet at the academy on Tuesday next at 8 o'clock.

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SALE.

DEATH OF RURAL DEAN  
LINDSAY.

MAKING THE MOST OF THE MOMENT

**WANTED.**

O. E. BISHOP, JR.





## PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The Church of England congregation opened their new place of worship at Killarney on the 21st ult. The Rev. Canon O'Meara officiated on the occasion.

A company, with a capital of \$200,000, has been organized for the purpose of manufacturing beet sugar at Whitewood, Wis.

The Shannon Hushing Machine Co., of Killarney met with a loss at their annual meeting for this year. The new super-hushing machine they had completely broken down, giving another lesson for those going to spark arresters.

A vacant house belonging to Mr. Patterson of Grenfell was burned down last week.

Winter is coming into Austin so slowly that the wheat buyer at that point cannot keep himself busy more than half the time.

A number of the farmers living in the vicinity of this lake have been shipping wheat and corn to the coast. They say that the layer on their home market is selling at a high price as they shipped.

The statement that John Elliott & Co., independent manufacturers, had failed for a large sum caused quite a sensation throughout this province. It is now known that the firm have made such arrangements with their creditors that their business will still be continued. The liabilities of the firm are placed at \$450,000, of which the sum of \$400,000 is due to Bank of Montreal.

## GENERAL NEWS.

Mr. E. Preston of Pilot Mound is at present nursing a broken arm the result of being thrown from his buggy.

The C. P. R. have already erected a number of the warehouses for the storing of grain on their branch line in Southern Manitoba.

Four weddings in Portage la Prairie in one week has given the citizens of town something to talk about for some time.

Hawthorn, Dec. 24. James Stewart, of this manufacturing firm, died this morning. He had an apoplectic fit about ten days ago. He was aged 54.

London, Dec. 24. The Hamburg ship *Albatross*, collided with the British ship *Talisker*, Calcutta, for London, yesterday. Twenty-two of the crew and ten members of the British ship were lost.

London, Dec. 23. A disastrous accident has occurred at Cudworth, where there was a large fire in the mill, and many of the houses. One hundred houses are reported to be lost. Gen. Lord, the minister of the interior, has given orders to the superintendent of the fire department.

London, Dec. 24. During the past week there has been a very heavy rain, and the water in the river has risen to a very high level. The water is now so high that it is impossible to go to the river. The water is now so high that it is impossible to go to the river.

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St. Paul, Dec. 25. At 12:00 this morning, St. Paul, Minn., a man, living on Fourth street, near St. Peter, shot and killed his wife, Margaret, James Michael, Blackhawk street, and then committed suicide. Michael was taken to the hospital, and is thought to be recovering. The wife was found lying on the floor, having been shot from the chest. Michael was found lying on the floor, having been shot from the chest.

## A HARD TIME WITH BRITAIN'S RAILWAY MEN.

London, Dec. 24. Though the winter has been a hard one for the railway men, they are now facing a harder one. The railway men are now facing a harder one. The railway men are now facing a harder one. The railway men are now facing a harder one.

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Red Cross

WITH OR WITHOUT

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FAMOUS OAK.

Double Heater.

For Coal or Wood.

DIAMOND

Red Cross.

Self-heating these Burners get up especially for use in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.

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A FULL SUPPLY

Nails of every Description, Galvanized Iron, Tin and Brown Oil, Paints, Brushes.

STOVES, TINWARE, ETC.

Rosser's Battery and Electro Plated Stoves and Pans, Grand Rapid Carpet Sweeper, Churns and Dairy, and all Blacksmiths' Outfits, Fencing Wire, etc.

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MONTHLY DRAWINGS FOR THE YEAR 1891.

January 11, February 11, March 11, April 11, May 11, June 11, July 11, August 11, September 11, October 11, November 11, December 11.

SEVENTH MONTHLY DRAWING, JAN. 14TH, 1891.

LIST OF PRIZES:

1st Prize	\$52,740.
2nd Prize	\$15,000.
3rd Prize	\$1,000.
4th Prize	\$500.
5th Prize	\$250.
6th Prize	\$125.
7th Prize	\$62.50.
8th Prize	\$31.25.
9th Prize	\$15.62.
10th Prize	\$7.81.
11th Prize	\$3.90.
12th Prize	\$1.95.
13th Prize	\$0.97.
14th Prize	\$0.48.
15th Prize	\$0.24.
16th Prize	\$0.12.
17th Prize	\$0.06.
18th Prize	\$0.03.
19th Prize	\$0.01.
20th Prize	\$0.00.

Ticket, - - \$1.00

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WILSON & SMYTH,

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Furniture Dealers.

BRANDON, MAN.

Prices the Lowest.

A large consignment of

Splendid Brussels Carpets!

Upholstery work a Specialty

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HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.

THE PILLS Purify the Blood, correct all Disorders of the LIVER, STOMACH, AND KIDNEYS, and are the most reliable and most powerful medicine for the cure of all diseases of the Blood.

THE OINTMENT Is an infallible remedy for Red Swellings, Old Sores, Ulcers, and all other diseases of the Skin.

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RISE OF THE

Chinese Empire.

Being Controlled by Mr. Montague, our Chinese Laundry, and having a large business and He having bought my late premises.

I beg to announce to my patrons and general public that I have moved to the top flat of Mr. White's, 10, Blacksmith shop, 7th St., where I can always be found ready and willing to please all.

I also beg to thank my Patrons for the beautiful amount of business I received in the last two years I have been doing business for myself in the City of Brandon.

I also admit further patronage at the hands of the public, for I am now in a position to carry on my painting business in a first-class style, and attention being given to all kinds of Decorative work and Sign writing.

Having had 9 or 10 years of the most possible experience of the great branches of the trade, in some of the finest and largest cities of the world. The above is no advertising puff but are solid facts that cannot be disputed, being able to prove same.

Again I beg to thank my numerous patrons.

Yours Truly,

THOS. SHARP

PAINTER.

SHOP: Water Block, Blacksmith Shop 7th Street

P. O. Box, 345

## LOCAL NEWS

**A Happy New Year to you all.**  
Now boys, how long will the sweat-off last?

Premier Greenway arrived in Winnipeg from England on Sunday.

Mr. Horace W. Buckle left last Thursday for Ontario to spend a few weeks with his friends there.

Don't let your temper get ruffled if you make the mistake for the next few days of making a night instead of a one.

Mr. Easterbrook, of the Commercial Express-Line was in the city on Monday in connection with the business of his line.

Thos. West returned to town on Monday morning having spent his Christmas with his mother and his children at Bradview.

Mr. Wm. J. Cowan, reeve of Hamiota, accompanied by his sister, left on Friday last for the home of his parents at Watford, Ont.

Mr. David Sherriff was another of our citizens who received a valuable Christmas present. A son and heir was born in the house of David.

The large building which was commenced at Souris this fall for the Massey Manufacturing Co. has just been completed and adds much to the appearance of the town.

The skating rink lately erected by Mr. C. Brindel at Souris affords the young people of that district an opportunity to show off their fancy work with the steel runners.

Monday last being the 23rd anniversary of Mr. Samuel Reynolds, a select number of friends in the evening to cigars and champagne.

Mr. John Home, of Oak Lake, paid a pleasant visit to our office last week. He reports having a good crop this year, and in ten acres of sandy land had a yield of 45 bushels to the acre.

Mr. J. S. Richards, one of the oldest members of the fire brigade, has been chosen by the members as their future chief. There is little doubt but that the council will confirm their choice.

Another of the C. P. R. employees, Mr. D. Whiteman, has taken into him self a life partner in the person of Miss Baumstark. The ceremony was performed on Monday morning by the Rev. Mr. Upphart.

Judge Duhne, the senior judge of the Court of Queen's Bench in Manitoba was presented on Friday last with a valuable gold watch and chain on the anniversary of his 50th birth day.

The Winnipeg curlers are agitated over the fact that the celebrated Lindsay Club have promised to send up a rink of two, to compete at the bonspiel, to commence on February the 3rd.

Mr. James Lamb, of Griswold, having spent a few days in the city, during the week, left yesterday for Winnipeg, to visit his sisters. He expects to return to Griswold in the course of a week.

Easter Sunday falls very early this year, being on the 25th of March. There are only two Sundays after Epiphany. Ash Wednesday falls on February 11, Good Friday on March 27th.

Inspector McGibbon has received orders to be on the alert for any of the hellions Sioux Indians, crossing the line at or near Deseronto. He has a couple of special agents on the watch of any movement of a suspicious nature.

Mr. Alex. Trotter has lately erected a very fine monument over the grave of a deceased wife in the city cemetery. The work on the monument was done by Mr. Alfred Ryker and reflects great credit on that gentleman's skill in the stone-cutting line.

The settlers in the Hamiota district held an indication meeting on the evening of Monday, the 22nd ult. The cause of the ire of these people is the non-opening of the G. N. W. C. railway which for months past has been ready for traffic but which for some cause is not in operation.

Many happy smiling faces were seen on the streets on Christmas morning but few of them could compare in geniality with that of Mr. Wm. Ironside. The older readers of the male sex know how it was with themselves when their firstborn was placed in their arms.

Will our readers in the city and its vicinity kindly remember the meeting of the Farmers Institute to be held in the town hall on next Saturday. The last meeting was a most interesting and instructive one and the one to be held on Saturday promises to be equally so.

An Elkton correspondent writes: "The beautiful and mild weather at this season is very enjoyable, except for the pale fire, whose glare may be seen any night. One came in close on the south side on Saturday night. J. Johnston lost six stacks of wheat and H. Galt Taylor had a close shave."

On Tuesday evening while Mr. John Cummings of Souris was trying to get off the rear part of his leg, which was standing on right Mr. Galt Johnston and fell heavily on his back. The old gentleman was seriously hurt about the ribs.

The Hon. James A. Smart has been confined to the house for some days past on account of illness.

Mr. D. R. Cockerill formerly ledger keeper in the Imperial Bank here returned to England last week.

On account of the non-arrival of a shipment of paper, we are forced to issue the Main this week on a smaller sheet.

Public School Inspector Lang takes charge of normal school session for third class teachers which opens at Viridien tomorrow.

Miss E. M. Gothard left on Tuesday evening for Oak Lake to spend some time with her friend Mrs. E. Powley of that town.

Another Oriental has hung out his shingle in our town. It will be found on the lean-to of the roller rink and reads C. Tin Laundry and Japanese work.

We are pleased to hear that the vacant lot on Princess Avenue in front of the fire hall are to be flooded so as to give the young folk a place for enjoying themselves at skating, without having to go to the river.

Mr. Loughton's employees presented that gentleman on Christmas day with a valuable easy chair as a slight acknowledgment of his uniform kindness to them during the past year.

A good deal of interest was centered in the guessing contest of the Winnipeg Free Press. The winner of the \$10 prize was only 4-5ths of a second out in his guess as to when the watch would stop.

Mr. Phillips, formerly customs collector at Emerson, and father of the popular Manager of the Merchants Bank in this town, intends removing his family and taking up his residence here.

Among the many who spent their Christmas in the city we noticed Mr. Wm. Kennedy one of the oldest settlers in southern Manitoba. The old gentleman was much pleased with the appearance of Brandon.

Quite a number of the friends of Mr. M. Riddell assembled at the C. P. R. station on Sunday evening to give that young gentleman a hearty send-off on his starting for Southern California where he intends to reside for the future.

Mr. Arch. Milloy, proprietor of the Pacific Hotel and Mr. John O'Rourke of the Queen's expect to leave at the end of the week for a trip to California. Both gentlemen have been in poor health for some time and they go there for the purpose of recuperating.

The young people of the Presbyterian Sabbath School Bible Class were not unmindful of their teacher, the Rev. Mr. Upphart during the late festival season. They surprised that gentleman on Christmas eve by presenting him with a very handsome study suite upholstered in leather.

The skating rink was opened on Christmas day. The ice was in first class condition and a large number of people, both old and young, took advantage of the opportunity of enjoying themselves. The presence of the members of the 50th batt, band tended in no small measure to the liveliness of the scene.

As an indication of the mildness of the weather it is worthy of mention that on Monday evening the 23rd ult. the city council held their meeting in the council chamber not only without having a fire lighted but with the windows closed. It is truly remarkable weather this for what folk are pleased to call the frozen North-west.

The visit to Miami of a representative of this paper a short time ago has resulted in a number of private citizens asking for information from the Northern Pacific agent as to the cost of getting in a car at wood. The trade of that town naturally belongs to Brandon and it will be the fault of the citizens of this town if we don't get it.

The city of Brandon Agricultural Society directors held a meeting on Saturday, the 20th ult., for the purpose of electing officers. The balloting resulted in the election of the following gentlemen to the different offices: President, Mr. S. A. Belford; 1st vice-pres., Mr. H. Nichol; 2nd vice-pres., Mr. T. Harkness; Asst. sec. pro tem, Mr. A. E. Randall.

That rustler Mr. Joseph Fisher, having got through selling tickets for the C. P. R. excursions took his old position as Conductor on the express train once more on Tuesday evening. Joe tries to make himself pleasant as well as faithfully attend to his business in no matter what position he occupies.

The congregation at Ramanathide, over which the Rev. T. J. Shearer, presides, took a very practical way of showing that gentleman and his ambale partner, how much their services are appreciated. On the evening of the 19th ult. they surprised their pastor by presenting him with a handsome parlor suite and a bronze study clock.

Mr. Ed. Moore, of Winnipeg who has been putting down the test wells for the city, came up on Monday evening to see how the men he has doing the work, were getting along. Mr. Moore is quite confident that water in sufficient quantities will be obtained at a reasonable depth. He has had a great deal of experience in well boring both in this province and in the old regions of Ontario.

Mr. Winder and Harry Smith, son of Chas. A. Smith, left for the old country on Sunday last. Farmers in this neighborhood will do well to place farms for sale in the hands of Mr. Winder who expects to be able to dispose of considerable lands before returning. Communications addressed to box 330, Brandon will reach him.

The keen competition on the wheat market of this city has prices up to the highest figure that the eastern markets will allow. This is recognized by farmers from outlying districts and it is not at all unusual to meet with farmers from east, west north and south who live within a few miles of some one or other of the small towns but who find it more profitable to haul their grain here than to sell at lower prices at home.

No need are our citizens to see town at ten past noon, the streets loaded with grain that they can hardly realize the amount of grain that is being marketed. It requires a little hitch in the facilities for unloading, such as occurred on Saturday last at the mill elevator for a few hours, and as the street completely blocked, begins to realize the immense quantity that is being bought in.

The following is going the rounds of some of the eastern papers. "It is stated on the highest authority that Mrs. Birchall is engaged to be married to Arthur Leatham, of Montreal, her late husband's college chum. It is added on the same authority that the marriage will occur soon and is made in private. It is said to be a surprise to the friends of the bride, as she is a widow of a woman's love."

Free Press: "Well Winder" writes from Brandon: "Christmas day was very happily spent by the Brandon Army of Brandon, and those who attended their meetings for a good purpose. Great credit is due to Capt. Winder in the way he conducts them. He is a man of nearly fifty soldiers gallantry and the good will of a considerable number of the inhabitants of Brandon. When her term expires, Winder will lose a good friend."

A good deal of complaint is being indulged in by owners of driving horses as to the condition of Rosser Avenue. It is really dangerous to a horse and rider to drive along it faster than a walk owing to the number of loose rolling stones. It would be a good idea for a committee of men to rake them off and the doing of this would be a great benefit to those having occasion to drive on our main avenue.

Morden Monitor: Mr. John Tricket, of Call Mountain, met with a serious accident on Sunday morning last. He got out of bed to get a drink, and taking hold of a bottle which he supposed to contain water he drank the contents, which proved to be a powerful and killing venom. The doctors held out very little hope of his recovery, and even though he should live for a time some internal contractions will result which will likely incapacitate him from further work.

The show windows of Messrs. F. Nation & Co. are entitled to the cake, for their artistic decorations amongst the dry goods houses, while those of Jno. A. Montgomery are by far the best laid out of those doing a purely grocery business. The display of fruit, both green and dried as well as the piles upon piles of candies and other sweets was sufficient to draw out the remark from a real thoroughbred cockney "that it would be hard to find better 'know in Old London'."

Never in Brandon's history was Rosser Avenue so crowded with pedestrians as it was on the evening of the 24th ult. Times may be hard, cash tight and hard to get but the majority of the citizens seemed on that evening to have taken to the truth of the old saying that "Christmas comes but once a year," and the most crowded midst their prize strings and spent some money to make the little ones happy. The Avenue presented a gay appearance, and judging from the crowds that were in the different stores and shops the business men must have done a good trade.

Viridien Advance: "At the last monthly meeting of Viridien Black Preceptory the following officers were elected: for 1891 S. S. Colter, W. P. W. E. Carleton, D. P. T. Willis, Chap. J. H. Schmidt, Registrar; D. McIntosh, Treas.; J. Andrew, and T. Giles, Lecturers; A. G. McDougall and J. Mounsey, Censors; R. S. Nichol and J. Hetherington, Standard Bearers; Wm. McLelland, Percussant; J. W. Hetherington, S. A. Pearson, W. L. Girard, Rev. F. M. Fane, Thos. Colter, W. H. Hall and D. H. Watson, Committee."

On Saturday last August Wyland was brought up before Police Magistrate Todd on a charge of stealing a number of articles of wearing apparel from Wm. Dunseith living near Douglas. The evidence showed that the accused was left in charge of Mr. Dunseith's house on the 12th while the proprietor was away and on his return the prisoner was away and the articles stolen. Chief Foster proved to having arrested prisoner at Oak Lake on the 24th ult and he had the goods in his possession. The prisoner was committed for trial at the next court of competent jurisdiction. Mr. A. M. Peterson appeared on behalf of the crown.

Few of the young people of the city but what know Mr. Edgar Lang who has been so long connected with the Main and Mr. Gilie's book store, and there are still a number of them who are his dependents from the city. Our young friend has built himself up a reputation for integrity and steady application to business. He leaves on Saturday for Winnipeg where he has secured a situation in the establishment of Mr. W. D. Russell. The employees of the Main office and all with their young friend "Good Speed" and success and happiness in his new sphere.

## After Christmas Bargains, at NATION & CO'S.

BIG REDUCTIONS! GREAT INDUCEMENTS!

Many lines to clear at Cost! Many lines to clear at Sacrifice. All Remnants, of which there are some hundreds, at or below Cost Price.

### LADIES' FURS:

Ladies' Astrachan and Bokharan Mantles at \$18.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$30.00, \$35.00 and \$40.00 worth from \$6.00 to \$10.00 more. Ladies' 55 and 56 inch BOKHARAN ULSTERS, elegant goods, worth \$75.00 for only \$35.00, Persian Lamb Mantles, 40 inch bust, 45 inches long, worth \$100.00, for \$75.00.

### GENTS' FURS:

Men's Coon Coats at \$33.00, \$35.00, \$37.50, \$40.00 and \$44.00, worth from \$7.00 to \$10.00 more. Australian Bear, Natural Dog, Goat and Otter Fur Coats, greatly reduced. Grey Goat Robes \$5.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$9.00 and \$10.00, worth from \$3.00 to \$5.00 more. Seal Caps at \$12.00 and \$13.50, Persian Lamb Caps \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00 and \$8.00. Otter, Beaver, Astrachan and other Caps, all reduced away down.

Ladies' and Gents' Fur Collars, all reduced. Also all Muffs, Bats, Fur Trimmings, Gauntlets, etc., prices away down. They have to go. Cloth Mantles, Ladies' and Childrens Cloaks, Shawls and Woollen Goods, all at big reductions.

### OVERCOATS:

Men's and Boys Overcoats, Winter Suits, Underwear, Cardigan Jackets, Fur Jackets, Leather Coats and Vests, Gloves and Mitts, all going at very low prices.

Still have the largest and most complete stock in the province and we are bound to close winter stock out.

### Carpets and House Furnishing Goods!

very cheap, fine large stock.

### A Specialty for the Ladies:

A splendid Sallette Mantle, full length, to order, lined and quilted throughout, for only \$33.00.

## FOR BARGAINS GO TO F. NATION & Co.,

Rosser Avenue, Corner Louder Lane.

## 20 Per cent. Discount Sale!

AT

## McKELVIE & DUNWOODY'S, GOLDEN LION.

\$40,000 of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, Men's and Boys Clothing, Gents' Furnishings, Furs, Carpets and all House Furnishings, at a straight discount of

## 20 per cent.

For all cash purchases of one Dollar and upwards. No Reserve. Everything Goes, as we are determined to.

### Clear all Winter Goods before Stock taking.

SALE TO COMMENCE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 2ND,

and continue to the end of the month.

A rare opportunity of obtaining new and fashionable goods at extremely low prices.

As our goods are all marked in plain figures, purchasers can see that we carry out exactly what we advertise, viz:

**\$1.00 WORTH OF GOODS FOR 80cts.**

No discount allowed on any goods charged on account.

## McKELVIE & DUNWOODY.

The Golden Lion.

Rosser Avenue, Brandon, Man.